

REMARKS**I. Summary**

In the present application, claims 1-9 have been cancelled. Claim 10 has been amended and claims 11-17 have been added. Claims 10-17 are pending.

II. Amendments

A description of the use of pH-buffering agents along with the therapeutic composition has been included in the application. This information was readily apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art at the time the priority application to the parent application was filed (August, 1995). Accordingly, no new matter is added to the specification.

Claim 10 has been amended and claims 11-17 have been added to reflect the use of pH-buffering agents in the method of the present invention. This is supported by the specification (as amended) and based on the knowledge of those of ordinary skill in the art. No new matter is added to the claims.

III. Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that all claims currently pending in the application are allowable. Favorable notice to this effect and early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

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Should the Examiner have any questions and in order to expedite prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned directly.

Respectfully Submitted,

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